

TANEY COUNTY REPUBLICAN

Keep Your Eye on Taney—She's All Right! Her Skies are Clear and Full of Cheer, and all her Prospects Bright.

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Taney County

TANEY is the fourth county from the west line of the state, in the extreme southern tier, and so bordering on Arkansas and enjoying to its fullest the wonderful climate of the "Sunny Side" of the Ozarks, where the temperature rarely touches a winter and the nights in summer are always cool enough to make sleep a delight.

The county contains 670 square miles, 432,000 acres, of which about 60,000 acres are under cultivation. The soil varies from the rich alluvial bottoms to the strong limestone soils of the ridges, producing successfully wheat, on which the county was awarded the silver medal at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, corn second to none, (a stalk on display in this office measuring seven feet four inches in length,) potatoes, cotton, melons, large grasses, berries, fruits, vegetables, in fact everything except tropical products. Pears and peaches are especially well.

The surface is rugged and picturesque, covered with forests and traversed by streams of sparkling currents, among them the beautiful White river, famed for its scenery and its many tribes, including the gamey black bass and jack salmon, while the wooded expanses abound in small game of various kinds, including fox, raccoon, opossum, squirrel, quail and turkey, affording abundant recreation with rod and gun.

The population of the county by the last census was 10,127, only two of whom were colored and 1,100 were American born. Taxes are not heavy. Wood for fuel is plentiful and remarkably cheap, selling in Forsyth for \$1 a wagon load with side boards. Church and school facilities are fair and increasing, many of the schools manifesting such a spirit of up-to-date-ness as to provide libraries for the use of pupils. Improved farms are valued at \$10 to \$20 an acre, while unimproved lands can be had at \$1.25 to \$2. There are still about 300,000 acres of government lands, subject to homestead or cash entry. The county is finely watered, the White river alone winding in and out for about a hundred miles within its borders.

There is considerable timber of commercial value, including hickory, sycamore, walnut, pine and oak, and vast natural wealth is indicated by the little prospecting that has been done. Other minerals include marble, hydraulic lime, manganese, copper, lead and zinc in their various forms, silver and gold, recent prospecting showing the presence of both in large quantities, all of which will afford wealth-making opportunities to such of means, judgment and energy.

In so good a spot, perhaps, can a poor man so easily acquire a home and make a living, and any man who is honest and energetic will be well-rewarded, be he rich or poor. The railroad (White River line of the Missouri Pacific) is stimulating enterprise and increasing values. River traffic and electric roads are a reality of the near future, to give new stimulus to every material interest and enhance all existing values. Now is the time to get in right and reap the benefits.

Official Directory.

| STATE. | |
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| Governor | J. W. Folk |
| Secretary of State | J. E. Swager |
| U. S. Senators | W. L. Stone |
| Member of Congress, 11th Dist. | Wm. Warner |
| State Senator | Geo. R. Russell |
| Judge of Judicial Circuit | John F. Moore |
| COUNTY. | |
| Representative | D. F. McCracken |
| County Clerk | J. R. Hickey |
| Recorder of Deeds | W. L. Stone |
| Circuit Clerk | J. L. Blankenship |
| Judge of Probate | J. L. Blankenship |
| Prosecuting Attorney | H. H. A. Hickey |
| Collector of Revenue | H. H. A. Hickey |
| Treasurer | James Nason |
| Commissioner of Schools | D. B. Palmer |
| Assessor | A. J. James |
| Sherrif | Robert Adams |
| Coroner | J. W. Brown |
| Surveyor | M. E. Gird |

Circuit Court. Court meets fourth Monday in April and October.

County Court. Pres. Judge J. G. Lewis. Assoc. Judge W. L. Stone. Court meets first Monday in February, May, August and November.

Probate Court. Court meets second Monday in February, May, August and November.

SOCIETIES.

A. F. and A. M.—Forsyth Lodge No. 433, meets on Saturday upon or after the first moon in each month.

J. A. Weatherman, Sec.

WOMEN.

M. W. A.—Forsyth Camp No. 260, meets on the first and third Tuesdays in each month.

Jesse Nason, V. C.

C. H. Grooms, Clerk.

J. E. S.—Chapter No. 32, meets first and third Thursdays in each month.

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Professional Cards.

R. B. PRICE. R. C. FORD.

PRICE & FORD LAWYERS

Forsyth, Missouri

Will practice in all the courts of the state.

Real Estate of All Kinds. Mineral Land a Specialty.

J. W. BLANKENSHIP

Taney County Field Man. For Rent H. Johnson. PINETOP, MO.

COFFINS

UNDERPAKERS SUPPLIES always on hand at my store, Gageport, Missouri. PRICES REASONABLE. GEO. T. DOAGE.

J. H. PARRISH, President. J. A. WEATHERMAN, Vice-President.

S. W. BOWELL, Cashier.

Taney County Bank,

FORSYTH, MO.

CAPITAL STOCK, \$25,000.

SURPLUS AND UND. PROFITS, \$25,000.

Transacts a general banking business.

Collections a specialty.

JOHNSON FEED BARN

[KNOWN AS OLD PARRISH BARN]

FORSYTH, MISSOURI

20 CENTS A FEED, STRAIGHT

P. W. JOHNSON, Proprietor

V. A. Cummings

Has a good line of GENERAL MERCHANDISE at his new store, 1 mile up Bear creek from WALNUT SHADE, MISSOURI. Also buys and sells Real Estate.

Edison and Transportation in the Ozarks.

Editors Republican:—On my return from Washington D. C. I called at Orange, N. J., to learn from Mr. Edison, or his employees, whether his electric storage battery was working satisfactorily and if he could have electric freight wagons that could be utilized in the Ozark mountains of Missouri and Arkansas as soon as electric power could be generated and distributed under the James River Bill, now pending, and another to be introduced for the White river.

I explained, with maps and conversation the story and rough condition of the country these electric freight wagons would have to encounter.

The foreman told me that the invention was a success and that Edison was preparing the different parts of such wagons, which would require about a year to complete.

He thought I had better see Mr. Edison, to whom he introduced me. Mr. Edison confirmed all that the foreman had said (after I had explained everything in full to him) and he gave me the following letter for publication.

"From the Laboratory of Thomas A. Edison.

Orange, N. J., May 5th, 1908.

Wm. H. Standish Esq. Reeds Spring, Mo.

Dear Mr. Standish:

It is my opinion that instead of a steam road or trolley road for thinly populated countries a narrow macadam Telford road with electric haulages, where water power is available, is the very best solution of the haulage problem.

The density of traffic is unlimited and exceeds a railroad; in addition it could be a toll road as well.

The cost of haulage per ton mile would be very little more than a railroad with 17 the investment. Storage batteries could be used, or there could be a trolley wire and the vehicles could be supplied with current therefrom, or both.

Yours very truly,

THOMAS A. EDISON."

The water power bill voted by President Roosevelt, located on the Rainy Lake river, in Minnesota, passed both houses of Congress on May 23rd, over the veto and after the adjournment of the Governors' convention. The convention did not endorse the President's proposition to tax water powers, and it is believed this will be the result with all the power bills which he will veto because they do not tax running water, as congress and the courts are against the government's power to do this, and it takes a double tax from the mountain regions to support the federal government.

Yours truly,

WM. H. STANDISH

ASTRONOMY

Byron Williams.



Did you ever study Venus by the glory of the moon. While the silver-laden voices of the night were all in tune? Did you ever seek Orion and the Little Dipper, too. In the brown eyes of a woman you have striven long to woo?

Have you sought to read her answer in the glimmer of the stars? Have you stared your eyes to aching at the Pleiades and Mars? Have you found the meadows studded with forget-me-nots of love As you gaze into the grandeur of the firmament above?

Have you striven, man, to girdle "all the earth" within your arm. As you note the constellations dart and shimmer with alarm? Have you seen the misty vistas of affliction within her die As you win her faintest answer to be yours for aye and aye?

Have you felt the rocking motion of the universe that dips As you press her closer, closer, sipping honey from her lips? If you have, O happy lover, you have seen the system right—For the way to heaven opened to astronomy that night!

Democratic View of Hadley.

Attorney General Hadley is to be the Republican nominee—Hadley, who brought Standard Oil to its knees; Hadley, who has fought the railroads and all the trusts; Hadley, the law enforcer. What a jolt this gives interests, liquor interests, late race track interests,—the whole Missouri world of graft! Equal, but it's good to see 'em squirm and hear 'em squeak! How delicious it is to hear the slim saloonists damn Hadley as worse than Folk—could there be a neater unintentional compliment? South St. Louis—meaning the brewery vote—will vote solid against Hadley. Very well! Let the people in rural Missouri know this—that South St. Louis will slaughter Hadley because it fears he will enforce the law, and what will the people do? Not a thing but vote solid for Hadley and swamp South St. Louis. All the anti-law enforcers are for Cowherd. They are opposed to Hadley. All the public service corporations, all the lobbyists, all the politicians that corrupt politics and disgrace even the saloon business are on one side—that's Cowherd's. Where shall the other unscrupulous people go? To Hadley of course.—St. Louis Mirror, Ind. Dem.

A man who is in perfect health, so he can do an honest day's work when necessary, has much for which he should be thankful. Mr. L. C. Rodgers, of Branchton, Pa., writes that he was not only unable to work, but he couldn't stoop over to tie his own shoes. Six bottles of Foley's Kidney Cure made a new man of him. He says, "Success to Foley's Kidney Cure." Sold by all druggists.

To him who does nothing life is not worth while.

There is danger of confounding the simple life with the silly life.

Will Cure Consumption.

A. A. Herren, Finch, Ark., writes: "Foley's Honey and Tar is the best preparation for coughs, colds and lung trouble. I know that it has cured consumption in the first stages." You never heard of any one using Foley's Honey and Tar and not being satisfied. Sold by all druggists.

A Lesson in Health.

Healthy kidneys filter the impurities from the blood, and unless they do this good health is impossible. Foley's Kidney Cure makes sound kidneys and will positively cure all forms of kidney and bladder diseases. It strengthens the whole system. Sold by all druggists.

An Original Cat.

How does a cat drink? What a silly question, you say. Perhaps so, but much depends upon the cat. As a rule the cat is not credited with either wisdom or originality. They keep on doing the things their ancestors did, in the way their ancestors did, and leave the problems that vex mankind to take care of themselves. But Mrs. C. B. Sharp, of this village, is the possessor and reputed owner of a cat that is different, and does things in a way entirely his own. Who ever saw a cat that would voluntarily set foot in water? But the cat in question, when thirsty, places one, sometimes two feet, in the basin containing water or milk, and proceeds to quench his thirst by alternately putting down and lifting his foot and flicking the fluid from it each time he lifts it until his thirst is satisfied. He does not merely do this occasionally, but as often as he has occasion to drink, and does not in the least object being observed in the act. Not only is he an original chap, but he might well be vain on account of his looks. He is a beautiful golden yellow, with a few darker stripes running round his body a la tiger, and usually as dainty as a baby in a white dress. He treated his mistress to a surprise a few days ago, however, by crawling through a sooty stovepipe, when, oh, what a sight to behold was he.

If any reader of the Republican can bring out a better TRUE cat story than the above, or as interesting a tale illustrative of the traits or habits of any other animal, we should be glad to have it; or doubtless Mr. Walter would be delighted to receive it as a contribution to his young people's department in this paper.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve Wins.

Tom Moore, of Rural Route 1, Cochran, Ga., writes: "I had a bad sore come on the top of my foot and could find nothing that would heal it until I applied Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Less than half of a 25 cent box won the day for me by effecting a perfect cure." Sold under guarantee at O. C. Huston's drug store.

Hunger and an honest crust are better than inherited wealth and dyspepsia.

The Best Pills Ever Sold.

"After doctoring 15 years for chronic indigestion, and spending over two hundred dollars, nothing has done me as much good as Dr. King's New Life Pills. I consider them the best pills ever sold," writes B. F. Aycock, of Ingleside, N. C. Sold under guarantee at O. C. Huston's drug store. 25c.

IN THE HOME NEST

Cheerful Evening Reveries for Tired Mothers

GRADUATING GIRLS.

Some of us, at any rate, on both sides of the Atlantic, have begun to realize that serious study is less likely to injure women than pinched waists, late hours, hot rooms and unwholesome food, and we think it is better for our girls to be graduated at schools for science rather than at schools for scandal. We think it will better prepare them for the grave responsibilities of matrimony and motherhood than rapid life in which personal adornment is their chief aim, and how to kill time and secure a rich husband their principal anxiety. The mental companionship which is improving in communion between active minds, and the women of a man's household must be either a stimulus to his highest aspirations or a drag upon them. For the interests, therefore, of men, and of human improvement in its widest sense, there should be a purpose in the education of women quite apart from questions of what they are to learn, and preparation for so wide a sphere of domestic or social duty admits of no such low standard as that of custom or fashion. We do not ask that women should have greater influence than they now possess. We only ask that they be trained to make the best possible use of it. This will make marriage more noble and more complete, enrich and strengthen the mother's influence and give to life a dignity and strength.

A bad temper is one of the worst things with which a man or a woman can be afflicted. It is a curse to the possessor, and those who are obliged to live in the same house with the possessor of the complaining temper as martyrs. It is often said that we should not let the bad temper of others influence us, but it would be as unreasonable to spread a blister of Spanish flies on the skin and not expect it to draw, as to think of a family not suffering on account of the bad temper of one of its members. It is like the sting of a scorpion, or of several scorpions, a perpetual source of irritation, destroying your peace and rendering life a burden. To hear one everlasting complaint and growl proceeding from what is aptly called a "chronic kicker," to have every agreeable thought chased away by this evil spirit of disputatiousness, is more than flesh and blood can stand. This would be a better world if the people who lose their tempers would never find them again.

TO YOUNG MARRIED FOLKS.

It is natural that a girl should wish to appear at her best before a man whom she loves. It is equally natural that a man should be careful to keep his shortcomings from the girl he is desirous of making his wife. He is thoughtful of her comfort, spends all his spare time in her company, will not see that she has any faults that his relatives point out to him, and is not exacting except as regards the amount of affection bestowed upon himself. The engaged girl is a person of importance, petted by her friends and indulged by her family. Her plans and wishes often have the first consideration. Little is required of her and much is yielded to her. Finally, after nothing but consideration for herself, the wedding day comes, and with it a gradual

change in the order of things. The husband is fond of his wife as the lover was of his betrothed, but she is his, and he is no longer anxious. He has duties and social obligations, perhaps rather neglected during his courtship, which must be attended to. He does not show his affection so much and is more exacting; while the wife, hitherto petted in her own home and her lover's one thought, imagines him changed and inattentive. No longer seeing him through rose-colored spectacles she sees his failings and betrays her own. This beginning, without any serious fault on either side, is often quite sufficient to lay the foundation of a thoroughly unhappy life.

PARENTAL DUTY TOO POORLY DONE.

Pre-natally, we make children feel that they are unwelcome. They are born shy, timid, fearful of cuffs, blows and ill-treatment. They shrink in a measure from the love or touch of their parents, and are never at ease till away from home influences.

As babies, they are taught to lie, cheat, dissemble, develop selfishness and to struggle only for pence and plantations. They see their parents deceitful and always double-dealing with them. They are educated to deceit and to go outside of blood relationship for confidants and advice. They see their parents nagging each other, quarrelling, scolding each other, bickering, back-biting, and the next moment praising, flattering, kissing each other. Thus the mind of the child is kept in a tremor of doubt, disgust and disturbance.

It is educated to hide dirt behind doors, under chairs and in dark corners, and conceal its little acts of meanness rather than weed them out of its life. It hears the parents speaking ill, meanly, ugly of neighbors, then welcoming them with smiles, kisses and compliments. Thus the child is educated to develop a doubt.

On entering the field that is just beyond the garden of maturity, so to speak, the young man is taught business. That is, to lie, cheat, dissemble and deceive. To make customers drunk and then do for them. He is taught that all ways to get money are alike honorable. To be sure he has different teachers, who teach different methods to reach the one great object, but they all land the student in the same rut. He is taught to be sharp. To forget honor and man's duty to all other men. To hate, dislike or distrust all who are not of his set, sect or society, when in truth there are as good men, as pure women and as lovely children in other sets and sects as in our own.

Our duty to God is performed only when we properly care for, assist and educate all who are born from humanity; to care for God's jewels and see that we do not set them in mud, filth, sin, misery, degradation and wickedness. To carefully surround our little ones, our loved ones, with influences and environments that will encourage them to the good and protect them from the bad. It is our duty to prohibit, by all means in our power, the approach of enemies to the decent and the good. To protect from the dirty, the vulgar, the obscene, the pernicious, the easily angered, the ones that cannot control their thoughts, words and actions; those who make our children, our servants and ourselves other than what we all should be.

Too much is often worse than not enough.

Fatigue induced by vigorous labor makes any couch soft.